

Specifically, National Fuel proposes to abandon its Van Station located in Venango County, Pennsylvania. National Fuel states that the abandonment will include the removal of all buildings and concrete foundations which will involve excavation up to three feet in depth. National Fuel declares that no transmission lines will be abandoned in connection with this project and there will be no abandonment or decrease in service to any National Fuel customer as a result of the proposed abandonment.

National Fuel explains that during the summer of 1996, a flood destroyed most of National Fuel's transmission facilities at its Van Compressor Station. National Fuel notes that the Van Station compressed gas from Van Hampton Gas & Oil Company, Inc. (Van Hampton), a producer and gatherer of natural gas. National Fuel asserts that in September 1996, after the flood destroyed Van Station, Van Hampton leased a skid mounted temporary compressor to National Fuel as a temporary replacement for National Fuel's 150 horsepower compressors damaged by the flood at Van Station. National Fuel advises that the leased compressor continues in operation today on the site of Van Station.

National Fuel states that a new station (New Van Station) being constructed by National Fuel approximately 700 feet northwest of Van Station outside of the flood plane, will begin operation on or about March 3, 1998. National Fuel also states that the lease agreement for the temporary replacement compressor will expire when the new station begins operation and the skid-mounted compressor will be returned to Van Hampton.

Any person desiring to be heard or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before March 26, 1998, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal

Energy Regulation Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this application if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that permission and approval for the proposed abandonment are required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for National Fuel to appear or be represented at the hearing.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP98-154-000]

Northern Natural Gas Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

March 5, 1998.

Take notice that on March 2, 1998, Northern Natural Gas Company (Northern), tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fifth Revised Volume No. 1, the following tariff sheets with an effective date of April 1, 1998:

43 Revised Sheet No. 50

43 Revised Sheet No. 51

40 Revised Sheet No. 53

Northern states that the filing revises the current Stranded Account No. 858, Surcharge which is designed to recover costs incurred by Northern related to its contracts with third-party pipelines. Therefore, Northern has filed Forty Third Revised Sheet Nos. 50 and 51 and the Fortieth Revised Sheet No. 53 to be effective April 1, 1998.

Northern states that copies of this filing were served upon the Company's customers and interested state commissions.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 and 385.211 of the

Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests should be filed in accordance with Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. All protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken in this proceeding, but will not serve to make protestant a party to the proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for inspection.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

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Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc.; Notice of Filing

March 4, 1998.

Take notice that on February 27, 1998, Orange and Rockland Utilities, Inc. (O&R), tendered for filing pursuant to Part 35 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR Part 35), a service agreement under which O&R will provide capacity and/or energy to EnerZ Corporation (EnerZ).

O&R requests waiver of the notice requirement so that the service agreement with EnerZ becomes effective as of February 25, 1998.

O&R has served copies of the filing on The New York State Public Service Commission and EnerZ.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions and protests should be filed on or before March 19, 1998. Protests will be considered by the Commission to determine the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceedings. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the